

PROFICIENCY TESTING PROGRAM FOR ANTI-HIV-1 IN DRIED BLOOD SPOTS

Quarterly Report

Quarter 1

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For the first quarter of 2006, we received data reports for 44 HIV-1 proficiency testing (PT) panels from 39 participants. Participants conducting screening analysis reported two misclassifications, and those conducting confirmatory analysis reported no misclassifications.

The PT panel for Quarter 1 consisted of five individual-matrix dried-blood spot (DBS) specimens. In Part 1 of the report, Table 1 shows the number of laboratories using each screening method/kit; Table 2 shows the expected results and the number of laboratories reporting reactive and non-reactive results; and Table 3 summarizes EIA absorbance ranges and means by specimen number and method of analysis (representative data are shown for three kits). Table 3 also shows the results obtained by CDC.

In Part 2 of the report, Table 4 shows the number of laboratories using each confirmatory method/kit; Table 5 shows the expected results, number of laboratories reporting reactive, non-reactive, or indeterminate results, and number of laboratories not reporting confirmatory results; and Table 6 shows the band classifications by method of PT specimens that tested positive for HIV-1 initially and after repeat EIA analysis (representative data are shown for three methods). Table 6 also shows the results obtained by CDC. •

The Quality Assurance Program will ship next quarter's HIV-1 DBS proficiency testing specimens on April 10, 2006, and the next major allotment of HIV-1 DBS quality control specimens on July 17, 2006.❖

Continued Challenges in HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention: A Focus on Women and Children will be held April 21-23, 2006, in Atlanta, Georgia. This conference provides in-depth and cutting-edge information on emerging challenges in HIV clinical care. For more information, visit www.anacnet.org. •

The XVI International AIDS Conference will be held August 13-18, 2006, in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

It is the world's largest, most comprehensive HIV/AIDS conference. The theme will be *Time to Deliver*. For more information, visit http://www.aids2006.org/.

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PART 1. SCREENING

Table 1.

Screening Methods Kit Source	Total Participants		
Genetic Systems rLAV EIA (Bio-Rad)	5	 	
bioMerieux Vironostika HIV-1 Microelisa System	9		
bioMerieux Vironostika Uni-Form II plus O	7		
Fujirebio Serodia-HIV	2		
Abbott Murex HIV 1+2 Gacelisa	1		
Murex HIV 1.2.0	3		
Tecnosuma (Cuba) UMELISA HIV 1+2	2		
Other	14		
In House	1		
	Total 44		

Table 2.
Number of Labs Reporting Screening Results

Specimen Number	Expected Results	Reactive	Non-reactive	No Interpretation	
1641	Reactive	43	0	1	
1642	Non-reactive	0	43	1	
1643	Non-reactive	1	42	1	
1644	Reactive	42	1	1	
1645	Reactive	43	0	1	

Table 3.				Cutoff			
Kit Source		1641	1642	1643	1644	1645	Value
Genetic	Range	1.233-2.219	0.088-0.118	0.082-0.133	1.071-1.921	1.351-2.329	0.266-0.298
Systems	Mean	1.929	0.097	0.111	1.621	2.063	0.282
CDC Results		2.046	0.101	0.147	1.460	2.232	0.299
bioMerieux	Range	1.594-2.869	0.139-0.429	0.144-0.380	0.924-2.800	1.862-2.939	0.412-0.648
Vironostika CDC Results	Mean	2.649 2.745	0.235 0.139	0.232 0.255	2.243 2.499	2.656 2.781	0.473 0.450
bioMerieux Vironostika	Range Mean	2.964-3.521 3.324	0.049-0.119 0.091	0.060-0.254 0.107	0.843-2.212 1.531	3.000-4.000 3.298	0.144-0.260 0.203
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PART 2. CONFIRMATORY

Table 4.

Confirmatory Methods

Kit Source	Tota	l Participants	
Genetic Systems HIV-1 WB (Bio-Rad)		12	
Bio-Rad New LAV Blot I		4	
OraSure HIV-1 WB Kit		2	
Genelab Diagnostics HIV 2.2 WB		2	
Cambridge Biotech HIV-1 WB Kit (Calypte)		2	
Other		_1_	
	Total		

Table 5.

Number of Labs Reporting Western Blot Results

Specimen Number	Expected Results	Reactive	Non-reactive	Indeterminate	Not Tested
1641	Reactive	23	0	0	0
1642	Non-reactive	. 0	7	. 0	16
1643	Non-reactive	0	7	0	16
1644	Reactive	21	0	. 2	0
1645	Reactive	23	0	0	0

Table 6.

Specimen 1641

Methods	gp	gp160		gp120		p66		p55		p51		gp41		p31		p24		p18
	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	
CDC (GS HIV-1 Kit, Bio-Rad)	√		V		√		✓		V		√		✓		√		√	
Genetic Systems HIV-1 Kit (Bio-Rad)	12	0	12	0	12	0	11	1	11	1	12	0	11	1	12	0	9	3
Bio-Rad New LAV Blot I	4	0	4	0	2	2	4	0	2	2	4	0	1	3	2	2	4	0
Genelab Diagnostics HIV 2.2	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0

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Table 6.

Specimen 1644

N/Laborate	gp	gp160		gp120		p66		p55		p51		gp41		p31		p24		18
Methods	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-
CDC (GS HIV-1 Kit, Bio-Rad)	✓		√		√		✓		✓		√		√		✓		1	
Genetic Systems HIV-1 Kit (Bio-Rad)	12	0	12	0	6	6	10	2	8	4	10	2	8	4	12	0	11	1
Bio-Rad New LAV Blot I	4	,0	3	1	2	2	4	0	2	2	3	1	1	3	2	2	4	0
Genelab Diagnostics HIV 2.2	3	0	3	0	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	2	0	2	0

Table 6.

Specimen 1645

	gp	gp160		gp120		p66		p55		p51		gp41		p31		p24		p18	
Methods	+	-	+	-	+		+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	
CDC (GS HIV-1 Kit, Bio-Rad)	✓		✓		✓		V		1		√		✓		√		✓		
Genetic Systems HIV-1 Kit (Bio-Rad)	12	0	12	0	12	0	10	2	11	1	12	0	12	0	12	0	3	9	
Bio-Rad New LAV Blot I	4	0	4	0	2	2	4	0	2	2	4	0	1	3	2	2	4	0	
Genelab Diagnostics HIV 2.2	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	1	1	

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